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Associated Students  
The University of Montana

## **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

## **2. ROLL CALL**

## **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 31, 2012**

## **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

## **5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

- a. Mountainside Chat - UM President Royce Engstrom
- b. Thursday Lunch at the Mansfield Library - Megan Stark, Undergraduate Services Librarian
- c. ASUM Student Service Award – Nominate Someone Today!
- d. Griz Watch Presentation
- e. Other

## **6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

- a. Board of Regents Update
- b. Committee Appointments/Removals
- c. Other

## **7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT**

**SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$15,950.75**

**S.T.I.P. - \$69,403.27**

**TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$12,376.00**

**ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$124,172.71**

- a. Other

## **8. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. SB29-12/13 – Resolution Regarding Student Veterans
- b. SB30-12/13 – Resolution Regarding Leadership

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

## **11. COMMENTS**

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

**ASUM Senate Minutes**  
**Wednesday, November 07, 2012**  
**University Center 330/331, 6 p.m.**

Chair Hagfors called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: President Brown, Vice President Hagfors, Business Manager Nielsen, Professor Smith; and Senators Bird, Boslough, Brown, Chandler, Coon, Dolezal, Ellinger, Ferrara, Freund, Gaines, Gordon, Hazen, Hopkins, LeCoultre (6:17), Mikkola, Oliver (6:02), Ormseth, Rich, Sather, Schilke, Simpson, B., Simpson, D. (6:04), Stein, Watkins (6:04), Williams, M., and Williams, T.

The minutes from the October 31, 2012 meeting were approved.

**Public Comment**

- Renee Mitchell, a member of Advocates for Missoula, gave her opinion against the choice of location for the Missoula College building site. Her group has gathered over 700 signatures from students and community members who disagree with the demolition of The University Golf Course. Mrs. Mitchell submitted letters from legislators and advocates (Exhibit A) and an excerpt from the ASUM 1945 Senate Minutes (Exhibit B) for the record.
- Sally Peterson, also a member of Advocates for Missoula, acknowledged the senators' commitment to their university but requested that they not rush into a decision without fully considering all of the consequences related to the golf course.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senators LeCoultre, Oliver, Simpson, D., and Watkins.

- Jacob Hellyer, a Renter Center Neighborhood Ambassador, gave an update on the group's success in the last two Sunday Sweepers events, with two more left to go in the academic year. The group recently added the new position of Outreach Ambassador, who is already helping draft a letter to property managers and landlords, requesting they give their tenants trash cans to prevent wildlife from spreading trash around. The Ambassadors have finished the home-owner survey and the results will be in the November newsletter. They are also considering conducting home-owner interviews and constructing complaint lists to document issues.
- Robin Zehntner, board member for the Alliance for Disability and Students at The University of Montana (ADSUM), backed up any resolutions that support the American Disability Association, as there has been a change of leadership in their group and every little bit helps.

**President's Report**

- a. The University of Montana President, Royce Engstrom, spoke to the Senate about the UM budget, which was cut this semester due to the decline in enrollment. The loss was largely with non-resident students, with a slight improvement occurring with resident students. The budget cut has been absorbed, in large part, by an emergency fund set aside for just such an issue, but there still have been some losses. However, the freshman-to-sophomore retention rate is the highest it has ever been. The administration is interested in increasing this percentage rate from 76% to above 80% to join the top

- quartile of institutions in the country. Additionally, President Engstrom defended the new location of the Missoula College and the replacement of The University Golf Course.
- b. Megan Stark, Undergraduate Services Librarian, is the new liaison to ASUM for the Mansfield Library and has invited the senators to lunch tomorrow at 12:40 p.m. for a discussion of issues which they would like to collaborate on with Senate. She handed out flyers for the library as well (Exhibit C).
  - c. Blake, Colin, Zach and Alex, from the student group Griz Watch, gave a presentation (Exhibit D) on what their group is doing to make campus a safe and welcoming environment.
  - d. The majority of the UM Productions staff introduced themselves to Senate and gave an overview of their responsibilities. Marlene Hendrickson, UM Productions advisor, reviewed the 800+ past events the agency has put on over 40 years, and Director Jacob Lutz covered upcoming shows and thanked the Senate for their ongoing support.
  - e. The nominations process for the ASUM Student Service Award, which will be presented in January, on The University of Montana's birthday, has opened. Any nominations are welcome.

### **Vice President's Report**

- a. Senator Hank Stein was sworn in by Professor Garon Smith.
- b. Any senators interested in attending the Board of Regents (BOR) public comment to support the building of the Missoula College should contact VP Hagfors as soon as possible. Any senators willing and able to house senators and executives from other institutions over the course of the BOR meetings should also contact VP Hagfors.
- c. A motion by **Nielsen-Coon** to approve committee appointments and removals as a slate passed by voice vote (Exhibit E).

### **Business Manager's Report**

- a. A motion by **Hopkins-Bird** to approve Curling Club's Special Allocation request (Exhibit F) in the amount of \$500 for a team registration fee passed by voice vote.

### **Committee Reports**

- Marketing and Outreach (Freund) – The committee was asked to help with the Can the Cats Food Drive, and is putting together the “Yes We Can-Can the Cats” event on November 16, at noon on The Oval. Line-up starts at 11 a.m. and the can-can dancing will begin promptly at 12 p.m. There will be tabling from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the University Center for the food drive and each can of food donated puts one raffle ticket in the Griz-Cat ticket raffle. The committee is asking senators to help put up flyers for the ASUM Student Service Award and is considering black and red as the new ASUM colors. Senator Freund, lastly, presented the Senate with finalist one (Exhibit G) and finalist two (Exhibit H) from the ASUM logo competition. A motion by **Nielsen-Brown, J.** to open discussion on the logos passed by voice vote. A motion by **Nielsen-Bird** to approve finalist one as the winner of the competition passed by voice vote. A motion by **Nielsen-Bird** to close discussion passed by voice vote.
- Housing Board (Rich) – The committee met today to help the Renter Center organize a “letter to the editor” campaign to represent student views on Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). If any senators are interested in writing letters to the editor regarding ADUs,

they could contact Senator Rich as soon as possible. The committee urges senators to participate and represent ASUM and the student body. The committee is also discussing the formation of a sub-committee of the Housing Board to focus more on themed housing.

- Student Political Action (Ormseth & Coon) – The committee met to discuss the “V is for Voting” party on Monday and its success.
- Lobbyist Search Committee (Ormseth) – The deadline for the ASUM Lobbyist position is November 9, and the committee has received three applications. President Brown requested that the senators make promotion of this position a priority to get the number of applicants up before the deadline.
- Relations and Affairs (Simpson, D.) - The committee met yesterday morning and looked at two resolutions. SB29 passed with a do-pass recommendation and SB30 passed with no recommendation.
- Board on Members (Ferrara) – Senator Ferrara presented the Senate with a list of reviewed student groups (Exhibit I). A motion by **Nielsen-Bird** to approve the list as a slate passed, with unanimous consent called by **President Brown**.

### **Unfinished Business**

- a. A motion by **Brown, Z.-Bird** to approve SB29 (Exhibit J) passed by voice vote.
- b. A motion by **Simpson, B.-Dolezal** to approve SB30 (Exhibit K) as amended was brought forward. Discussion was called by **Nielsen-Williams, M.** The motion passed by voice vote. A motion by **Brown, Z.-Nielsen** to close discussion failed by voice vote. A motion by **Nielsen-Coon** to amend passed by voice vote. A motion by **Nielsen-Gordon** to approve as amended passed 21-4-3 by roll call vote (see Tally Sheet #1).

### **New Business**

Resolutions regarding Fiscal policy (2)

Resolution regarding student group participation in the Office of Civic Engagement

Resolution regarding Curry Health Center

Resolution regarding voting procedure

Resolution regarding Greek housing

Resolution regarding dress code

Resolution regarding attendance policy

Resolution regarding Mansfield Library

Resolution regarding office hours

Resolutions regarding interview process (3)

Resolutions regarding personnel policy (2)

Resolution regarding meeting order

Resolutions amending Bylaws (2)

Resolution regarding House Rules

Resolution of recognition

### **Comments**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Julia Evans  
ASUM Senate Secretary